

BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Saint Thomas Of Canterbury Episcopal Church
Temecula, California
September 17, 2007

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Father Robert, Vicar; Bob Dudley, Junior Warden; Martha Dudley, Joan Wanner; Peter Mandery; Ashley Lemons; Patty Macias; Donna Happ; Judy Pellam, Clerk.

ABSENT: Dalton Menhall, Senior Warden; and Jack Rees, Treasurer.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.
2. **OFFICE FOR A CHURCH METING.**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE MEETING:** Approved
4. **VICAR'S REPORT:**
 - a. **2007 Diocesan Workshops:** The next workshop, Forming Us For Ministry, will be held October 20, 2007 at Saint Bartholomew's in Poway and Father Robert urged all to go.
 - b. **Church Building Update:** Patty Macias moved to go into executive session, Ashley seconded and the motion carried. Following discussion, Patty moved to end the executive session, Donna seconded and the motion carried.
 - c. **2008 Church Calendars:** Calendars will be sponsored by England Family Mortuary.
 - d. **Fresh Start Program:** Will be held the 4th Tuesday of each month for clergy new to the Diocese and usually consists of a two hour program.
 - e. **Clergy Vacation and Continuing Education:** Father Robert will need to carry over one week of vacation and one week of continuing education and the Bishop's Committee approved.
 - f. Miscellaneous
 - Worship Committee meeting was held on September 8, 2007.
 - Lay Eucharist Visitors meting was held on September 8, 2007.
 - Saint Matthew's Episcopal Church will be celebrating their 125th anniversary on September 21, 2008.
 - Camp Stevens fire was discussed.
 - Father Robert read an excerpt from the Bishop's letter in the Diocesan Newsletter concerning St. Thomas' building.
 - Diocesan Quiet Day will be held November 10, 2007 at St. Peter's in Del Mar.
5. **SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT:** Dalton Menhall (absent). Father Robert handed out information on the Mutual Ministry Review, which will be held Saturday, November 3, 2007 at the church from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Canon Vervynck will attend and Father Robert asked Bishop's Committee members to read the handout and attend the meeting.
6. **TREASURER'S REPORTS:** Jack Rees (absent).
 - a. June, July and August reports for church preschool and thrift shop (August thrift shop report not available) were submitted.
 - b. Discussed church income and expense.

- c. Preschool enrollment has been down, teachers hours have been cut, enrollment now starting to pick up.
 - d. Bob moved to accept the reports for audit, Patty seconded and motion carried.
- 7. BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:**
- a. **Parish Life: Fellowship** – Patty Macias
 - June, July and August hikes were discussed, light attendance at all three.
 - Padre's night attendance light.
 - Storm's game night had good attendance, 60 tickets sold, and was lots of fun.
 - Pita Pit is going well and Patty is thinking about adding another fund raiser.
 - Bike ride in Oceanside is planned for September 22, 2007.
 - Youth event is being rescheduled and Patty would like to make it a bowling night.
 - Patty wants to get Christmas float committee together by the end of October as the parade is held the first Friday in December.
 - A trip to Catalina Island is being planned for October 27th and more news on this will be in the POST.
 - b. **Parish Life Worship** – Father Robert
 - Newcomer event, held on June 24th, was good and the next one will be held at Father Robert's house, no date set yet.
 - Liturgical Ministers Meetings have begun and the next one will be for Chalice Bearers on Saturday, October 13th at 10:30 am at the church.
 - Choir event on August 29th was very successful.
 - Youth Altar Guild has had first practice session and they will need to be partnered with an adult.
 - Altar Guild held a meeting on September 15th.
 - Order Of Saint Luke meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of the month following the Wednesday evening service.
 - A blessing of the animals will be held in the church at 3:00 pm on October 7th. Bob Dudley will notify the cleaning service. Father Robert would like to have the press there.
 - Every 5th Sunday there will be an instructional Eucharist and Evensong will also be held.
 - Paula Arlich will continue to play the piano for the 9:30 service but has resigned from the 11:00 service and a replacement is being sought.
 - c. **Parish Life: Pastoral Care** – Joan Wanner
 - Hospitality this coming Sunday will be provided by the Bishop's Committee members.
 - Jim Melendez will be gone on September 23rd and Donna Happ, as Bishop's Committee member of the day, will coordinate opening and closing with Joan.
 - Daughters Of The King meets monthly and has five members.
 - d. **SAINT THOMAS THRIFT SHOP** – Donna Happ
 - Shop is doing very well.
 - Contributions are pouring in, especially clothing.
 - Everyone is very pleased with manager, Kristy Alfalla, and she has received a raise.
 - Still desperately need volunteers to work.
 - Thanks to Chuck and Phillippa Warfield for a beautiful display for Rally Sunday.
 - Shop is still tithing to church.
 - Shop currently has five community service kids volunteering.
 - e. **SAINT THOMAS EPISCOPAL PRESCHOOL** – Bob Dudley
 - Graduation was held on June 25th.

- Michelle Amaral, preschool director, has resigned and needs to be replaced.
- Preschool committee meeting will be held September 20th and we need to replace two members as Linda Stone and Kelly Corey have resigned.
- f. **CHRISTIAN FORMATION** – Peter Mandery
 - Lots going on and Father Robert is especially pleased with the program at Sterling Communities.
- g. **ADMINISTRATION: FINANCE** – Bob Dudley for Jack Rees
 - The audit is continuing.
 - Working on budget and will either E-mail or have ready for next Bishop’s Committee meeting.
- h. **ADMINISTRATION: COMMUNICATION/MULTI-MEDIA** – Martha Dudley
 - Bulletin Board project has been put on hold. Fading is occurring and we need to look into having the Narthex windows tinted. Southern California Edison will give a rebate of \$1.35 per square foot. Patty has friend who does tinting and she will get a price from him.
- i. **ADMINISTRATION: PROPERTY** – Bob Dudley (no report)
- j. **ADMINISTRATION: OFFICE VOLUNTEERS** – Judy Pellam
 - Judy reported on upcoming Saint Thomas cookbook and said it is coming along nicely.
- k. **OUTREACH:** no coordinator, no report.
- l. **STEWARDSHIP: TIME, TALENT, TREASURE** – Ashley Lemons
 - In process of forming an EMC task force and Father Robert has sent out letters.
 - A luncheon is being planned for October 14th at Harveston Lake House and the Thrift Shop has offered to pay for the rent and the main course. Those attending will bring side dishes and desserts. Ashley is looking for a caterer to provide the main course. She would also like to find someone to coordinate the luncheon.
- 8. **OTHER BUSINESS** – None.
- 9. **BENEDICTION**
- 10. **ADJOURN:** The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

The next Bishop’s Committee meeting is scheduled for October 15th at 6:00 pm in the church office.

Respectfully submitted

s/ Judy Pellam